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REMARKS

Applicants have amended claim 37 to remove reference to the tradename Versagel, and have added new claims 38-42 to more particularly claim the invention. Support for the amendment to claim 37 and for new claims 38-42 can be found in the specification on page 21, paragraph 52, and in Table 4 on page 28. In particular, the specification states on page 21, paragraph 52, that particularly preferred rheology enhancers include those sold under the tradename Versagel (Penreco, Houston Texas). The rheology enhancers mineral oil and butylene/ethylene/styrene copolymers; mineral oil and styrene; petrolatum and styrene copolymers; mineral oil and ethylene/propylene/styrene copolymers and butylene/ethylene/styrene copolymers; hydrogenated polyisobutene and butylene/ethylene/styrene copolymers; hydrogenated polyisobutene and ethylene/propylene/styrene copolymers and butylene/ethylene/styrene copolymers; petrolatum and ethylene/propylene/styrene copolymers and butylene/ethylene/styrene copolymers; isononyl isononanoate and ethylene/propylene/styrene copolymers and butylene/ethylene/styrene copolymers; isododecane and ethylene/propylene/styrene copolymers and butylene/ethylene/styrene copolymers; isohexadecane and ethylene/propylene/styrene copolymers and butylene/ethylene/styrene copolymers; and isopropyl palmitate and ethylene/propylene/styrene copolymers and butylene/ethylene/styrene copolymers are known to be blends of Versagel. After entry of this Preliminary Amendment A, claims 1-42 will be pending. No new matter has been added by this Preliminary Amendment A.

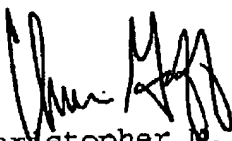
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CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing, applicants request entry of the present amendment and favorable consideration of all pending claims.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$250.00 (for additional claim fees) and any fee deficiency in connection with this amendment to Deposit Account Number 19-1345.

Respectfully submitted,



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